

News Release

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State "Moving Forward" in efforts to better prepare workers of tomorrow \$1.75 million in grants awarded to 34 secondary area vocational districts

INDIANAPOLIS (Apr. 27, 2007) – Thirty-four Indiana secondary area vocational districts are receiving "moving forward" grants totaling \$1.75 million to be used to fund new programming that leads to long-lasting systemic change in career and technical education, the Indiana Department of Workforce Development announced today.

"As Indiana continues its economic transformation, we need to do more to better prepare our secondary students for the jobs of tomorrow," Governor Daniels said. "These grants are designed to encourage innovative programming in our career and technical education programs to better equip our students with the skill sets to succeed in post-secondary education and the workforce."

Andrew Penca, Commissioner of Workforce Development noted that more and more employers are requiring workers to have advanced skills sets which often require some type of postsecondary education. "We're also seeing an increased need for workers to have greater competency in the 'STEM + E' areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Entrepreneurship. It is our hope that these grants will provide our career and technical education system with the means and opportunity to help meet these new demands on our emerging workforce."

Penca noted that Indiana's strategic economic development plan, *Accelerating Growth* calls for the state to more "effectively prepare our emerging workforce for success in the 21st century economy through education and training aligned with industry demanded skills and competencies."

The grants are being funded through the federal Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act provided by the U.S. Department of Education. The Indiana Department of Workforce Development administers the state's Perkins Act and funding.

Schools receiving grants and the amount of each grant:

Area Vocational District 9

\$ 60,000

Four Co. Area Voc. Coop., Garrett-Keyser-Butler H.S., Prairie Heights H.S., Westview H.S., Lakeland H.S.,

Central Noble H.S., East Noble H.S., Fremont H.S., Hamilton H.S., Steuben H.S., Dekalb Co. Eastern H.S., Dekalb Co. Central H.S.

Area Vocational District 10 Indian Trails Career Coop., Twin Lakes H.S., Kankakee Valley H.S., Rensselaer H.S., North Newton H.S., West Central H.S., Carroll H.S., Delphi H.S., Frontier H.S., Tri-County H.S., S. Newton H.S.	\$ 50,000
Area Vocational District 11 North Central Area Voc. Coop., Culver H.S., Oregon Davis H.S., N. Judson-San Pierre H.S., Knox H.S., Argos H.S., Plymouth H.S., Triton H.S., John Glenn H.S., Union-North United H.S., Rochester H. S.	\$ 20,000
Area Vocational District 12 Warsaw Area Career Center, Warsaw H.S., Tippecanoe Valley H.S., Whitko Community H.S.	\$ 35,000
Area Vocational District 16 Century Career Center, Logansport H.S. Southeastern H.S., Pioneer H.S., Eastern Pulaski H.S., Caston H.S.	\$ 60,000
Area Vocational District 18 Area 18 Career & Tech. Ed., Adams Central H.S., Adams H.S., S. Wells H.S., N. Adams H.S., MSD Bluffton-Harrison H.S., Jay Co. H.S., N. Wells H.S., Huntington Co. H.S.	\$ 70,000
Area Vocational District 19 Wildcat Creek Career & Tech. Coop., Tippecanoe H.S., W. Lafayette H.S., Clinton Prairie H.S., Frankfort H.S., Rossville H.S., Clinton Central H.S., Benton H.S.	\$ 15,190
Area Vocational District 20 Kokomo Area Career Center, Kokomo H.S., Taylor H.S., Northwestern H.S., E. Howard H.S., Western H.S., Maconaquah H.S., Tipton-Northern H.S.	\$ 40,000
Area Vocational District 21 Tucker Career & Technology Center Marion H.S., Mississinewa H.S., Eastbrook H.S.,	\$ 73,500

Oak Hill H.S., Madison-Grant H.S.

Area Vocational District 22 Muncie Area Career Center, Muncie H.S., Randolph Southern H.S., Delaware H.S., Harrison-Washington H.S., Liberty-Perry H.S., Monroe H.S., Mt. Pleasant H.S., Randolph Central H.S., Blackford Co. H.S., Randolph Eastern H.S., Monroe Central H.S.	\$ 67,709
Area Vocational District 23 W. Central Indiana Car. & Tech. Ed., Crawfordsville H.S., Attica H.S., Covington H.S., Southeast Fountain H.S., N. Montgomery H.S., S. Montgomery H.S., W. Boone H.S., MSD Warren	\$ 22,618
Area Vocational District 25 John H. Hinds Career Center, Alexandria-Monroe H.S., Elwood Comm. H.S., Frankton H.S., Hamilton Heights H.S., Madison-Grant H.S., Tipton H.S., Tri-Central H.S., W. Central H.S.	\$ 60,000
Area Vocational District 27 New Castle Area Career Programs, New Castle H.S., Blue River Valley H.S., S. Henry H.S., Shenandoah H.S., C.A. Beard H.S., Union H.S., Nettle Creek H.S.	\$ 36,845
Area Vocational District 28 Richmond Comm. Schools, Richmond H.S., N.E. Wayne, Randolph Southern H.S.,	\$ 40,000
Area Vocational District 30 Area 30 Career Center, Cloverdale H.S., S. Putnam H.S., N. Putnam H.S., Greencastle H.S., Eminence H.S., Spencer Owen H.S.	\$ 27,800
Area Vocational District 31 Area 31 Career Programs, Avon H.S., Ben Davis H.S., Brownsburg H.S., Cascade H.S., Danville H.S., Decatur Central H.S., Mooresville H.S., Monrovia H.S., Plainfield H.S., Speedway H.S., Tri-West H.S., MSD Wayne	\$105,000
Area Vocational District 33 McKenzie Career Center, MSD Lawrence Township	\$ 59,203

Area Vocational District 34 Whitewater Technical Career Center, Connersville H.S., Centerville H.S., Lincoln H.S., Union Co. H.S., Rushville H.S., Franklin Co. H.S., Fayette Co. H.S., Western Wayne H.S.	\$ 30,000
Area Vocational District 35 Vigo County School Corp., McLean Education Center, Clay Community H.S.	\$ 35,161
Area Vocational District 36 Hoosier Hills Career Center, Monroe Co. H.S., Eastern Greene H.S., Richland Beanblossom H.S., Martinsville H.S.	\$ 45,000
Area Vocational District 37 Central Nine Career Center, MSD Perry, MSD Franklin, Clark-Pleasant H.S., Center Grove H.S., Edinburgh H.S., Franklin H.S., Greenwood H.S., Ninevah-Hensley-Jackson, Beech Grove H.S.	\$170,000
Area Vocational District 38 Blue River Career Programs, Shelbyville Central H.S., Shelby Eastern H.S., Shelby Southwestern H.S., Shelby North Western H.S., Flat Rock Hawcreek H.S.,	\$ 30,000
Area Vocational District 39 Twin Rivers Career & Tech. Ed., Shakamak H.S., Linton H.S., Southwest H.S., Northeast H.S., White River Valley H.S., N. Knox H.S., S. Knox H.S., Vincennes H.S., Barr-Reeve H.S., N. Daviess H.S., Washington H.S., Loogootee H.S., Bloomfield H.S.	\$ 28,245
Area Vocational District 40 N. Lawrence Career Center, N. Lawrence H.S., Mitchell H.S., Brownstown H.S., Shoals H.S., Orleans H.S., Medora H.S.	\$ 33,320
Area Vocational District 41 Columbus Area Career Connection, Decatur Co. H.S., Bartholomew Cons. School Corp., Greensburg H.S., Crothersville H.S., Seymour H.S., Brown Co. H.S.,	\$ 79,691

Area Vocational District 42

\$ 80,000

Southeastern Career Center, Jac-Cen-Del H.S., South Ripley H.S., Jennings Co. H.S., Rising Sun H.S., Batesville H.S., Milan H.S., Sunman H.S., S. Dearborn H.S., Lawrenceburg H.S., Madison H.S., S.W. Jefferson Co. H.S., Switzerland Co. H.S.

Area Vocational District 45

\$145,000

Prosser School of Technology, Austin H.S., Borden H.S., Charlestown H.S., Christian Academy, Clarksville H.S., Corydon Central H.S., Crawford County H.S., Eastern H.S., Floyd Central H.S., Henryville H.S., Jeffersonville H.S., Lanesville H.S., New Albany H.S., New Washington H.S., N. Harrison H.S., New Washington H.S., Providence H.S., Salem H.S., Scottsburg H.S., Silver Creek H.S., S. Central H.S.

Area Vocational District 47

\$140,000

Patoka Valley Voc. Coop., Jasper H.S., Pike County H.S., N.E. Dubois H.S., S.E. Dubois H.S., S.W. Dubois H.S., N. Spencer H.S., E. Gibson H.S.

Area Vocational District 48

\$ 40,000

Perry Co. Area Voc. Coop., Tell City H.S., Perry Central H.S., Cannelton H.S.,

Area Vocational District 49

\$ 53,021

Walker Career Center, Warren Central H.S., Greenfield H.S., Hancock H.S.